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Subject: RE: EPA AND 401 CERT REQUEST
Attachments: Opalski to bartlett WA dydro permits final.pdf

Mark, I attached the 2/15/19 letter for your information which includes the same language as our previous statement. Since the permits are still under development and internal review I think it's too early to comment on specific conditions.

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Mark:

I just talked to Jennie. As you and I discussed, our dam permits under the Riverkeeper settlement agreement with the Corps and Bureau is the only opportunity for temperature "management" from EPA either through temperature requirements for cooling water discharges or temperature monitoring requirements for dams.

I leave it to Dan how he wants to convey that information to the reporter.

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Courtney: Dan suggested I consult with you RE: navigating/responding to the media request below regarding 401 Cert & the Dams on the Columbia. Can you possibly call me?

Thanks!

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From: Michael OBryant <obryants@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, March 4, 2019 11:06 AM
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Subject: Re: EPA AND 401 CERT REQUEST

Hi Mark

Would you mind emailing back EPA's Feb. 15 letter to Ecology regarding these permits. Will that letter better explain why EPA withdrew its draft permits?

Also, it's my understanding that EPA cannot by regulations include water temperature in these permits. How does EPA address water temperature at the dams?

Best

Mike O'Bryant

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On February 14, 2019 at 1:23 PM "MacIntyre, Mark" <Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov> wrote:

Mike: Thanks for your inquiry, which Bill Dunbar kindly forwarded to me regarding our request to the Department of Ecology.

We have not yet responded to Ecology's letter from Heather Bartlett.

Currently, this is what we are saying publicly on the matter(Please attribute to "EPA"):

"EPA has determined that the preliminary draft permits for which we had requested water quality certification need additional internal review. Therefore, we have withdrawn our requests for water quality certification at this time. We fully intend to reinstate our requests for water quality certification after we have completed our internal review and updated the preliminary draft permits, as appropriate."

Thanks for the opportunity.

Mark

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